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## HUDGENS: CONTRACTOR ARRESTED FOR INSURANCE FRAUD

**Atlanta** – Insurance Commissioner Ralph Hudgens announced today that a Macon County contractor has been charged with two counts of insurance fraud for allegedly presenting fraudulent certificate of insurance coverage.

Arrested on January 27, was Mark Anthony Brannen, 50, of Gray, Ga. Brannen, who owns Brannen Construction Company on two occasions presented a bogus certificate of general liability and workers compensation insurance to the Flint Area Consolidated Housing Authority for work.

Brannen was booked into the Macon County Jail and posted a bond for release.

Commissioner Hudgens recommends before hiring a contractor verify that they are licensed and insured.

Insurance fraud is a felony punishable by imprisonment for two to ten years, or by a fine of up to \$10,000.00, or both.